## **Public Notice – Environmental Project**

### **PURPOSE OF NOTICE:**

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project located in Prince George County, Virginia.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

April 10, 2009 to May 10, 2009

## **TYPE OF RESPONSE:**

Federal Consistency Certification

DEQ is reviewing a federal action to determine if it is consistent with the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The act seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

### NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

Federal Energy Regulatory Committee

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation proposes to replace a section of Line VM-118 in the Prince George County. Columbia must conduct internal inspections of line VM-118 in accordance with U.S. Department of Transportation safety requirements. In order to run the internal inspection device through the pipeline, Columbia must prepare the pipeline by replacing of 957 linear feet of an 18-inch pipeline with 12-inch pipeline. Of the 957 linear feet, approximately 441 feet of pipe will be trenched and 516 linear feet will be inserted into the existing 18-inch pipe. Construction would temporarily impact 1.65 acres of nontidal, emergent wetlands and an unnamed tributary to Southerly Run. The project activities are all located within the James River watershed. Some tree clearing will be required.

A federal consistency certification has been submitted for this proposal which finds it consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program (VCP).

## **HOW TO COMMENT:**

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's Central Office in Richmond.

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